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SUBJECT: UNESCO 18TH GC: CUBAN DRAFT RESOLUTION ON

CHILE AND CHILEAN COUNTER AMENDMENT

REF: STATE 256203

1. REFTEL INFORMATION CORRECT. CUBAN RESOLUTION
18 C/PLEN/DR.10 WAS AIRPOUCHED TO DEPARTMENT (IO/UNESCO)
ON DAY OF ISSUANCE, NOVEMBER 7. CHILEAN COUNTER-
AMENDMENT, 18 C/PLEN/DR.17 WAS AIRPOUCHED NOVEMBER 14.

2. CUBAN RESOLUTION, IN ESSENCE, ASSAULTS CHILE FOR
ASSERTED VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, I.E. "IMPRISONMENT,
EXILE OR DEATH OF CHILEANS PROMINENT IN EDUCATION,
SCIENCE AND CULTURE," "MILITARY INTERFERENCE" IN
UNIVERSITIES, AND "PUBLIC BURNING OF TEACHING MATERIALS
AND OTHER WORKS OF IMPORTANCE FORMING PART OF THE
CULTURAL HERITAGE OF MANKIND." OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS
CALL FOR "IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN
RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS IN CHILE," CITING
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ARTICLES 18, 19, 20, 26 AND 27 OF THE DECLARATION OF

HUMAN RIGHTS, AND CALLS UPON UNESCO DIRECTOR GENERAL "TO TAKE SUCH MEASURES WITHIN HIS COMPETENCE AS HE MAY DEEM MOST APPROPRIATE TO SECURE FULL RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE."

3. CHILEAN COUNTER-AMENDMENTS PROPOSE DELETION OF ALL CUBAN PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPHS CITING HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN CHILE AND REPLACEMENT WITH LANGUAGE BROADLY CONDEMNATORY OF "TOTALITARIAN" DOCTRINES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND REPLACEMENT OF CUBAN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS WITH LANGUAGE CONDEMNING ALL "ISMS" THAT "VIOLATE HUMAN DIGNITY," DECLARES THAT UNESCO SHOULD IDENTIFY "OBSTACLES TO THE FULL APPLICATION OF ITS CONSTITUTION, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO HUMAN RIGHTS," AS WELL AS TAKING ACTION "TO SAFEGUARD SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL RIGHTS," AND CALLS UPON MEMBER STATES TO LEND FULLEST SUPPORT TO UNESCO IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE ABOVE OBJECTIVES.

4. THESE AND OTHER RESOLUTIONS COMING UNDER THE HEADING OF UNESCO'S CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE, HUMAN RIGHTS AND ANTI-COLONIALISM AND ANTI-RACIALISM TRADITIONALLY ARE BLENDED INTO ONE OMNIBUS RESOLUTION. HOWEVER, THIS YEAR STACKED NATURE OF WORKING GROUP CHOSEN TO DRAFT OMNIBUS RESOLUTION DESPITE BEST U.S. EFFORTS, RESULTED IN SEPARATE TREATMENT CUBAN AS WELL AS OTHER OBJECTIONABLE TEXTS ON OTHER ISSUES FROM INCORPORATION THAT USUALLY ENTAILS CONSIDERABLE MODIFICATION OF TONE AND SUBSTANCE.

5. THEREFORE, CUBAN AND CHILEAN TEXTS WILL BE CONSIDERED ALONE AND IT IS LIKELY THAT CHILEAN AMENDMENTS WILL BE DEFEATED AND THAT CUBAN TEXT WILL PASS.

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